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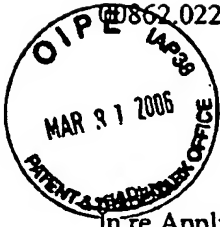
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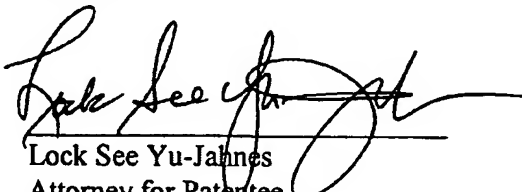
Patentee respectfully requests the issuance of an original Letters Patent for the above-identified application. The issue fee was paid on February 10, 2005, and U.S. Patent No. 6,904,177 B2 was granted on June 7, 2005. Soft copies of the patent were received by Patentee's attorneys on June 28, 2005. However, the original Letters Patent has not yet been received.

Patentee respectfully requests issuance of an original Letters Patent for the above-identified application as soon as possible.

No fee is believed to be required in connection with the present Request. If, however, a fee is necessary to have this Request considered, than the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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